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# **Final Population and Housing Unit Counts**

The figures in this report are final counts and supersede the preliminary counts published in the reports entitled Preliminary Population and Housing Unit Counts, PHC80-P. The present series consists of 56 reports—number 1 for the United States; numbers 2 through 52 for the States and the District of Columbia in alphabetical order; and numbers 53 through 56 for Puerto Rico, Guam, Virgin Islands, and American Samoa. Counts for the Northern Mariana Islands and the remainder of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands are not part of this series of reports but will be made available in a separate press release issued for each area.

The final population count of the State as of April 1, 1980, was 947,154. This figure represents a decrease of 2,569, or 0.3 percent, from the 949,723 inhabitants enumerated in the 1970 census.

The final count of housing units in the State as of April 1, 1980, was 372,672. This figure, which includes both occupied and vacant housing units, represents an increase of 54,983, or 17.3 percent, from the 317,689 units enumerated in the 1970 census.

An increase in the housing unit count is not inconsistent with a decrease in population, as the average number of persons per occupied housing unit (or household) has declined since 1970.

This report presents final 1980 census population counts, classified by race and Spanish origin, and final 1980 housing unit counts for the State, counties, county subdivisions, incorporated places, and congressional districts. Total population and housing unit counts are also shown for 1970 for the same geographic areas.

Most of the statistics presented here are being issued in advance of their separate publication in the final

reports, Characteristics of the Population, Number of Inhabitants, PC80-1-A; Characteristics of the Population, General Population Characteristics, PC80-1-B; and Characteristics of Housing Units, General Housing Characteristics, HC80-1-A. Data shown in this report for congressional districts of the 96th Congress will not be included in any other 1980 census reports.

An outline of the publication and computer tape program for the 1980 Census of Population and Housing can be obtained free of charge from the Data User Services Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233.

Symbols used in tables. A dash "-" represents zero or a percent which rounds to less than 0.1. The symbol "(NA)" means not available, and three dots "..." means not applicable. For areas established since 1970, three dots "..." is shown in place of the 1970 population and housing unit figures and the 1970-80 percent change. A minus sign preceding a figure denotes decrease. The prefix "r" indicates that the count has been revised since publication of 1970 census reports.

A dagger "t" next to a geographic area indicates that the characteristics for 20 percent or more of the persons included in the 1980 census count for the area were substituted. Substitutions occurred during the computer processing of the census data when there was evidence of the existence of persons but no data for these persons. In these instances, characteristics of other enumerated persons were substituted. A more detailed discussion of substitution will be found in Characteristics of the Population, General Population Characteristics, PC80-1-B reports.

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#### AREA CLASSIFICATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

States. The 50 States and the District of Columbia are the constituent units of the United States.

Counties. In most States, the primary divisions are termed counties. In Louisiana, these divisions are known as parishes. In Alaska, which has no counties, the county equivalents are the organized boroughs together with the census areas which were developed for general statistical purposes by the State of Alaska and the Census Bureau. In four States (Maryland, Missouri, Nevada, and Virginia), there are one or more cities which are independent of any county organization and thus constitute primary divisions of their States. That part of Yellowstone National Park in Montana is also treated as a county equivalent. The District of Columbia has no primary divisions, and the entire area is considered equivalent to a county for census purposes.

**County** subdivisions. The Census Bureau presents statistics for subdivisions of counties or equivalent areas, as follows:

 Minor civil divisions (MCD's) in 29 States and the District of Columbia. The States are Arkansas, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. (In 1970, the county subdivisions shown for North Dakota were census county divisions.)

MCD's (townships, districts, etc.) are primary divisions of counties established under State law. In some States, all incorporated places are also MCD's in their own right. In other States, incorporated places are subordinate to or part of the MCD(s) in which they are located, or the pattern is mixed—some incorporated places are independent MCD's and others are subordinate to one or more MCD's.

Unorganized territories are shown in the States of Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Minnesota, North Carolina, North Dakota, and South Dakota where there are counties which contain territory not included in an MCD recognized by the Census Bureau. Each separate area of unorganized territory in these States is recognized as one or more subdivisions and given a name by the Bureau; the name is followed by the designation "(unorg.)."

2. Census county divisions (CCD's) in 20 States. The States are Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Ken-

tucky, Montana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

CCD's are geographic areas which have been defined by the Census Bureau in cooperation with State and county officials for the purpose of presenting statistical data. CCD's have been defined in States where there are no legally established minor civil divisions (MCD's), where the boundaries of MCD's change frequently, and/or where the MCD's are not well known to the public. Using published guidelines, the CCD's have generally been designed to represent community areas focused on trading centers, or to represent major land-use areas, and to have visible, permanent, and easily described boundaries.

 Census subareas in Alaska. For the 1980 census, census subareas have been delineated cooperatively by the Census Bureau and the State government for statistical purposes. The areas replace the subdivisions used for the 1970 census.

Incorporated places. Incorporated places recognized in the reports of the census are those which are incorporated under the laws of their respective States as cities, boroughs, towns, and villages, with the following exceptions: Boroughs in Alaska and New York, and towns in the six New England States, New York, and Wisconsin. These boroughs and towns are recognized as MCD's for census purposes.

Congressional districts. Congressional districts are areas within a State with boundaries defined by agents of the State government (e.g., State legislature or redistricting commission). One member of the U.S. House of Representatives is elected from each congressional district. If a State has only one Representative, the congressional district is the entire State. Congressional district boundaries are those in effect for the 96th Congress, as specified in the laws and/or court orders establishing congressional districts within the various States.

Boundaries. Boundaries legally defined and in effect as of January 1, 1980, are recognized in the 1980 census. The boundaries of some of the areas shown in this report have changed between January 1, 1970, and January 1, 1980. The 1970 figures given here for counties, county subdivisions, and places have not been adjusted for such changes. The 1970 counts for congressional districts have been adjusted to reflect the district boundaries as of the 96th Congress. Information on boundary changes will be presented in the PC80-1-A report for this State.

#### AREA CLASSIFICATIONS AND DEFINITIONS-Con.

Race. Counts of the population by race as well as Spanish origin in this report are provisional. Final counts for race as well as Spanish origin will be determined after the sample data have been processed. The sample counts will first appear in *Characteristics of the Population, General Social and Economic Characteristics*, PC80-1-C reports.

Information on race was obtained through self-identification; therefore, the data represent self-classification by people according to the race with which they identify themselves. Population counts in this report are shown for five racial groups: White; Black; American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut; Asian and Pacific Islander; and other.

The category "White" includes persons who indicated their race as White, as well as persons who did not classify themselves in one of the specific race categories listed on the questionnaire but entered a response suggesting European origin such as German, Italian, or Polish. (In the 1980 census, persons who did not classify themselves in one of the specific race categories but reported entries such as Cuban, Puerto Rican, Mexican, or Dominican were included in the "other" races category; in the 1970 census, most of these persons were included in the "White" category.)

The category "Black" includes persons who indicated their race as Black or Negro, as well as persons who did not classify themselves in one of the specific race categories listed on the questionnaire but reported entries such as Jamaican, Black Puerto Rican, West Indian, Haitian, or Nigerian.

The category "American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut" includes persons who classified themselves as such in one of the specific race categories. In addition, persons who did not report themselves in one of the specific race categories but reported the name of an Indian tribe were classified as American Indian.

The category "Asian and Pacific Islander" includes persons who indicated their race as Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, Korean, Asian Indian, Vietnamese, Hawaiian, Guamanian, or Samoan. Persons who did not classify themselves in one of the specific race categories but reported entries indicating one of the nine categories listed above were classified accordingly. For example, reported entries of Nipponese and Japanese American were classified as Japanese; entries of Taiwanese and Cantonese as Chinese, etc.

The category "Other" includes Asian and Pacific

Islander groups not identified separately (e.g., Cambodian, Indochinese, Pakistani, Indonesian, Fiji Islander) and other races not included in the specific categories listed on the questionnaire. (Asian and Pacific Islander groups in the "other" category in 100-percent tabulations are included in the category "Asian and Pacific Islander" in sample tabulations.)

Spanish origin. As noted above, counts of the population by Spanish origin in this report are provisional. Final counts for Spanish origin will be determined after the sample data have been processed. The sample counts will first appear in the PC80-1-C reports.

Persons of Spanish origin or descent are those who classified themselves in one of the specific Spanish origin categories listed on the questionnaire—Mexican, Puerto Rican, or Cuban—as well as those who indicated that they were of other Spanish/Hispanic origin. Persons reporting "other Spanish/Hispanic" origin are those whose origins are from Spain or the Spanish-speaking countries of Central or South America, or they are Spanish origin persons identifying themselves generally as Spanish, Spanish American, Hispano, Latino, etc. Origin or descent can be viewed as the ancestry, nationality group, lineage, or country in which the person or person's parents or ancestors were born before their arrival in the United States. Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

Housing units. A housing unit is a house, an apartment, a group of rooms, or a single room, occupied as separate living quarters, or if vacant, intended for occupancy. Separate living quarters are those in which the occupants live and eat separately from other persons in the building and have direct access from the outside of the building or through a common hall. The occupants may be a single family, one person living alone, two or more families living together, or any other group of related or unrelated persons who share living arrangements. Both occupied and vacant housing units are included in the housing inventory, except that tents, caves, boats, vans, and the like are included only if they are occupied. Vacant mobile homes are included, provided they are intended for occupancy on the site where they stand. Vacant mobile homes on dealers' sales lots, at the factory, or in storage yards are excluded from the housing inventory.

The 1980 figures in this publication are subject to change pending the outcome of the various lawsuits dealing with the census counts.

Table 1. Persons by Race and Spanish Origin and Housing Unit Counts: 1980

[Counts relate to areas as delineated at each census. For meaning of symbols, see text]

	Persons								Housing units			
The State Counties County Subdivisions	1980	1970	Percent change, 1970 to 1980	White	8lock	Roce Am. Indion, Eskimo, ond Aleut	Asion ond Pocific Islonder	Other	Sponish origin	1980	1970	Percent chonge, 1970 to 1980
The State	947 154	'949 723	-0.3	896 692	27 584	2 898	5 303	14 677	19 707	372 672	'317 689	17.3
Bristol County	46 942 16 174 20 128 10 640	45 937 17 554 17 860 10 523	2.2 -7.9 12.7 1.1	46 413 15 961 19 926 10 526	117 56 43 18	39 3 15 21	190 114 43 33	183 40 101 42	743 111 480 152	16 373 5 399 6 823 4 151	14 106 5 044 5 519 3 543	16.1 7.0 23.6 17.2
Kent County Coventry town East Greenwich town Warwick city West Greenwich town West Worwick town	154 163 27 065 10 211 87 123 2 738 27 026	142 382 22 947 9 577 83 694 1 841 24 323	8.3 17.9 6.6 4.1 48.7 11.1	152 458 26 865 10 082 86 073 2 721 26 717	605 42 52 409 5	145 26 6 96 -	648 94 56 358 12 128	307 38 15 187 - 67	1 067 179 45 504 9 330	57 013 9 492 3 615 32 450 1 008 10 448	45 116 6 970 3 046 26 219 762 8 119	26.4 36.2 18.7 23.8 32.3 28.7
Newport County	81 383 4 040 3 085 17 216 29 259 14 257 13 526	794 228 2 911 2 385 729 290 34 562 12 521 12 559	-13.6 38.8 29.4 -41.2 -15.3 13.9 7.7	76 730 3 993 3 052 16 205 26 141 13 935 13 404	3 012 25 2 558 2 241 144 42	282 8 5 46 196 23 4	687 6 7 258 283 101 32	672 8 19 149 398 54 44	1 265 25 43 350 588 122 137	32 898 2 052 1 694 6 483 11 886 5 773 5 010	'27 639 1 554 1 329 '4 901 11 158 4 528 4 169	19.0 32.0 27.5 32.3 6.5 27.5 20.2
Providence County  Burnilville town  Central folia Gry  Combet on County  Combet on County  Combet on County  East Providence of County  Foster town  Johnston town  Johnston town  North Providence town  North Providence town	571 349 13 164 16 995 71 992 27 069 50 980 3 370 7 550 24 907 16 949 29 188	'581 470 10 087 18 716 74 287 26 605 48 207 2 626 5 160 22 037 16 182 24 337	-1.7 30.5 -9.2 -3.1 1.7 5.8 28.3 46.3 13.0 4.7 19.9	530 459 13 110 16 036 70 856 26 841 47 715 3 337 7 512 24 795 16 760 28 797	23 056 4 87 585 27 1 630 5 7 31 15 112	1 553 9 38 42 111 171 5 19 12 10	3 175 12 35 290 99 253 8 7 44 118	13 106 29 799 219 91 1 211 15 5 25 46 121	15 935 61 1 769 562 318 799 11 27 83 88 189	225 489 4 602 7 446 27 280 9 152 19 402 1 132 2 829 8 758 6 348 11 343	1199 877 3 168 6 847 '23 051 7 851 '15 494 874 1 685 6 561 5 215 7 701	12.8 45.3 8.7 18.3 16.6 25.2 29.5 67.9 33.5 21.7 47.3
North Smithfield town Powfucket city Providence city Scituate town Smithfield town Woonsocket city	9 972 71 204 156 804 8 405 16 886 45 914	9 349 76 984 179 116 7 489 13 468 46 820	6.7 -7.5 -12.5 12.2 25.4 -1.9	9 908 67 841 127 320 8 351 16 751 44 529	11 993 18 546 14 45 944	14 97 1 048 9 18 37	27 176 1 694 28 54 185	12 2 097 8 196 3 18 219	33   2 502   9 071   26   50   346	3 526 29 768 67 535 2 897 5 117 18 354	2 806 27 864 '68 134 2 302 3 835 16 489	25.7 6.8 -0.9 25.8 33.4 11.3
Woshington County	93 317 4 800 4 453 6 406 12 088 620 21 938 4 018 20 414 18 580	85 706 2 863 3 245 5 392 7 138 489 '29 793 2 625 16 913 17 248	8.9 67.7 37.2 18.8 69.3 26.8 -26.4 53.1 20.7 7.7	90 632 4 661 4 310 6 323 11 778 619 21 416 3 951 19 259 18 315	794 19 36 10 104 1 186 20 359 59	879 101 41 49 97 - 109 30 398 54	603 13 4 9 59 - 153 8 262 95	409 6 62 15 50 - 74 9 136 57	697 18 71 37 78 3 166 17 167	40 899 3 064 1 390 2 264 6 587 1 009 8 813 1 384 8 138 8 250	'30 951 1 971 795 1 693 4 778 752 '7 336 830 6 020 6 776	32.1 55.5 74.8 33.7 37.9 34.2 20.1 66.7 35.2 21.8

# Table 2. Persons by Race and Spanish Origin and Housing Unit Counts for Places: 1980

[Counts relate to areas as delineated at each census. For meaning of symbols, see text]

		Persons									Housing units		
Incorporated	C						Roce						
Places	Counties	1980	1970	Percent change, 1970 to 1980	White	8lock	Am. Indion, Eskima, ond Aleut	Asion ond Pacific Islander	Other	Spanish origin	1980	1970	Percent change, 1970 to 1980
Central Folls city	Providence Providence Newport Providence Providence Kent Kent Providence Rent Providence Kent Providence Rent Providence Rent Providence Rent Providence Rent Rent Rent Rent Rent Rent Rent Ren	16 995 71 992 50 980 29 259 71 204 156 804 87 123 45 914	18 716 '74 287 '48 207 34 562 76 984 '179 116 83 694 46 820	-9.2 -3.1 5.8 -15.3 -7.5 -12.5 4.1 -1.9	16 036 70 856 47 715 26 141 67 841 127 320 86 073 44 529	87 585 1 630 2 241 993 18 546 409 944	38 42 171 196 97 1 048 96 37	35 290 253 283 176 1 694 358 185	799 219 1 211 398 2 097 8 196 187 219	1 769 562 799 588 2 502 9 071 504 346	7 446 27 280 19 402 11 886 29 768 67 535 32 450 18 354	6 847 '23 051 '15 494 11 158 27 864 '68 134 26 219 16 489	8.7 18.3 25.2 6.5 6.8 -0.9 23.8 11.3

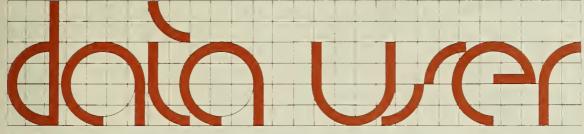
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# Table 3. Persons by Race and Spanish Origin and Housing Unit Counts for Congressional Districts: 1980

[Counts relate to congressional districts as delineated for the 96th Congress. For meaning of symbols, see text]

		Persons									Housing units		
The State Congressional Districts				Percent change, 1970 to 1980	Roce								
		1980	1970'		White	Black	Am Indion, Eskimo, ond Aleut	Asian ond Pacific Islander	Other	Sponish origin	1980	1970'	Percent change, 1970 to 1980
The Stote	9	747 154	1949 723	-0 3	896 692	27 584	2 898	5 303	14 677	19 707	372 672	'317 689	17.3
FirstSecond		162 912 184 242	475 441 474 282	-2 6 2.1	441 277 455 415	11 367 16 217	920 1 978	2 667 2 636	6 681 7 996	9 069 10 638	180 524 192 148	155 207 162 289	16.3 18.4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Population counts for congressional districts are based on 1970 census complete-count date; housing unit caunts are based an 1970 census sample data. These counts may not add to State totals because of post-1970 census corrections which were not assigned by congressional district and also because of sampling variability for housing unit counts.



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